

Atty. Dkt. No. 016790-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Michael GANSER et al.

Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LASER

MICRODISSECTION

Appl. No.:

09/943,093

Appl. Filing Date:

08/31/2001

Examiner:

Louise N. Leary

Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:

]	F	Please	enter	and	consider	the	amend	ment/	reply	previously	filed	on _	_·

- [] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ___ but not considered.
- [] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ___.
- [] Other __.
- b. Enclosed are:
- [X] Preliminary Amendment.

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- [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [X] Form PTO-1449 with copies of 1 listed reference(s).
- [X] Formal Drawings (3 sheets, Figures 1-3) and Transmittal Letter.

Miscellaneous:

Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals	
RCE Fee 1.17(e)							\$750.00		\$750.00	
Total Claims:	39	. —	20	=	19	- ×	\$18.00	=	\$342.00	
Independents:	4	_	3	=	1	×	\$84.00	=	\$84.00	
First presentation	on of any M	ultiple	e Dependen	t Cla	ims:	+	\$280.00	=	\$0.00	
	CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:							_	\$1176.00	

[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]
\$0.00	\$410.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]
\$0.00	\$930.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]
\$0.00	\$1,450.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]
\$0.00	\$1,970.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]
\$0.00	N FEE TOTAL:	EXTENSION	
\$1176.00	N FEE TOTAL:	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION	
\$0.00	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		
\$0.00	R. § 1.103(c)	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.	[]
\$1176.00	TOTAL FEE:		

- [\boldsymbol{X}] A check in the amount of \$1176.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the

Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Law

Attorney for Applicant Registration No. 34,371

Date: April 10, 2003

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